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Wheat Harvest In Full Swing

Data tables reflect the week ending: **June 20, 2010.**

CROP PROGRESS

Crop	This Week	Last Week	2009	5-Yr Avg.
	Percent			
Corn Silked	61	38	42	46
Cotton Squaring	25	11	13	22
Peanuts Planted	93	90	91	97
Peanuts Pegged	0	N/A	0	5
Soybeans Planted	88	83	81	84
Soybeans Emerged	70	65	66	71
Winter Wheat Harvested	59	38	51	36
Hay Harvested-1 st cutting	86	75	86	N/A

N/A =Not Available

CROP/LIVESTOCK CONDITION

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Exc.
	Percent				
Corn	0	3	15	71	11
Cotton	0	0	20	75	5
Peanuts	0	3	40	56	1
Soybeans	0	3	16	75	6
Winter Wheat	0	1	28	68	3
Livestock	0	0	23	65	12
Pasture & Range	0	1	23	66	10

TOP SOIL MOISTURE

	Days Suitable	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
		Percent			
District 10	5.0	0	7	90	3
District 20	5.4	0	8	91	1
District 30	5.1	0	9	89	2
District 40	5.8	0	36	64	0
District 50	5.9	5	30	65	0
District 60	5.6	0	48	52	0
State: Current Week	5.5	1	22	76	1
State: Previous Week	6.0	2	21	75	2

EXTENSION/FSA COMMENTS:

General: Thunderstorms took place over parts of the state last week, however there were still areas that could use an adequate amount of moisture. Jack Tatum, Regional Extension Agent for Shelby County, and Jennifer Stanley, Program Technician for Conecuh County commented that some areas received a small amount of rain, however other areas still need more moisture. The US Drought Monitor released June 17 indicated the state

to be 100 percent free from drought compared to 100 percent 3 months ago, and 100 percent one year ago. Daytime highs for the week ranged from 91 degrees in Sand Mountain, to a sweltering 101 degrees in Dothan. Overnight lows ranged from 57 degrees in Highland to 71 degrees in Huntsville, Headland, Tuscaloosa, and Dothan. Precipitation totals for the week ranged from 0.04 inches in Union Springs to 3.39 inches of rainfall in Opelika over a period of 2 days.

Small Grains: Wheat was reported over half percent harvested with good conditions. Eric Schavey, Regional Extension Agent for Franklin County stated that wheat harvest was in full swing, however isolated showers have slowed fieldwork down for producers.

Cotton/Corn: Cotton continues to improve with adequate rainfall. Thomas Atkinson, County Executive Director for Madison County reported extreme heat was taking its toll on corn. It was just beginning to pollinate good, and heat and pollination are not a good mix. Alfred Jackson, Extension Agent for Tuskegee University commented that if high temperatures combined with longer plant growth days continue over the western Black belt, row crops will soon show sign of drought stress.

Fruits/Vegetables: Bobby Boozer, Horticulturist at the Chilton County Research and Extension Center, and author of the Peach Orchard News, reported stink bug and leaf footed bug numbers were increasing over the past week. Brown rot was appearing in fruit that had already ripened. With the dry weather, it has not been a major problem, but if a rainy period were to occur, the feeding damage from stink bugs and the amount of brown rot occurrence will likely increase.

Pasture/Hay: Daniel Miller, County Extension Coordinator for DeKalb County stated frequent showers have caused hay quality to decrease. T.H. Gregg, Regional Extension Agent for Etowah County mentioned over 70 percent of hay was being harvested late in his area. Brenda Glover, Regional Extension Agent for Hale County reported pastures were getting dry and were in need of rain. Henry Dorrough, Regional Extension Agent for Talladega County commented hay operations continued throughout the hot and dry week last week. Scattered heavy rainfall was beneficial to forages, however other areas that did not receive rainfall were beginning to show signs of stress. Mr. Jackson added that pasture and hay fields were doing well as hay producers were performing their second cutting.

ALABAMA'S Weekly Crop Weather for the Period: Monday June 14, 2010 To Sunday June 20, 2010

Weather Station	Air Temperatures				Precipitation			Precipitation since Jan 1			Avg. 4"	GDD Base 50		GDD Base 60	
	High	Low	Avg	DFN	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	% Normal	Soil Temp	Total	DFN	Total	DFN
District 10 Northwest Alabama - Tennessee Valley 46% of Corn Ac., 45% of Soybean Ac.															
Muscle Shoals	95	70	83	7	0.71	-0.20	4	24.12	-2.94	89		231	44	161	44
Russellville	96	70	82	9	0.24	-0.60	3	19.81	-9.49	68		229	65	159	65
Belle Mina	98	66	81	6	1.18	0.27	3	25.41	-2.80	90	82	220	41	150	42
Huntsville Ag	96	71	83	8	0.95	0.04	2	23.62	-5.76	80		235	51	165	51
Hamilton	96	68	82	8	0.10	-0.81	1	33.49	2.70	109		227	56	157	56
District 20 Northeast Alabama - Appalachian Foothills 18% of Corn Ac., 21% of Soybean Ac.															
Anniston AP	96	67	82	6	0.23	-0.61	3	23.87	-4.50	84		227	38	157	38
Cullman Ag	93	68	80	6	1.15	0.24	4	33.74	3.08	110	81	218	45	148	45
Sand Mountain	91	66	79	6	0.29	-0.55	1	25.02	-3.89	87	80	207	41	137	41
Gadsden_AP	93	66	81	5	1.59	0.75	1	22.59	-6.95	76		216	35	146	34
Bridgeport	94	68	81	7	1.32	0.41	4	29.55	-0.88	97		219	51	149	51
Guntersville	93	70	81	5	0.36	-0.36	3	30.56	2.64	109		223	36	153	36
District 30 North Central Alabama - 7% of Corn Ac., 7% of Soybean Ac.															
Thorsby	96	69	84	7	0.55	-0.44	2	26.14	-3.03	90	85	240	53	170	53
Talladega	95	68	82	7	0.20	-0.73	2	30.48	1.83	106		227	48	157	48
Birmingham_AP	95	70	83	7	1.22	0.39	2	29.41	1.19	104		232	45	162	45
Alabaster	95	70	83	7	0.72	-0.30	4	28.59	-1.85	94		232	46	162	46
Pinson	95	67	82	7	0.79	-0.12	2	29.32	-0.43	99		222	48	152	48
Opelika_Wtr_Plt	94	69	82	6	3.39	2.42	2	30.36	0.95	103		225	42	155	42
Alexander_City	97	67	83	7	0.46	-0.52	3	24.32	-5.36	82		233	48	163	48
Tuscaloosa_AP	97	71	84	6	1.62	0.76	3	24.68	-4.01	86		240	41	170	41
Jasper	96	70	82	8	1.70	0.79	4	37.45	7.26	124		226	50	156	50
District 40 South Central Alabama - Black Belt 7% of Corn Ac., 9% of Soybean Ac.															
Union Springs	97	67	82	5	0.04	-1.15	1	20.38	-7.74	72		229	32	159	32
Marion Junction	96	70	84	7	0.68	-0.30	2	24.05	-4.29	85	91	240	46	170	46
Montgomery_AP	99	68	85	7	0.20	-0.70	2	20.77	-6.52	76		245	41	175	41
Livingston	98	69	83	6	1.55	0.68	3	33.18	4.13	114		235	39	165	38
District 50 SW Alabama - Coastal Plain 7% of Corn Ac., 10% of Soybean Ac.															
Bay Minette	96	70	84	5	0.56	-0.78	3	34.56	3.21	110		242	33	172	33
Brewton_AG	99	70	84	7	0.45	-0.98	3	29.26	-2.27	93	95	243	45	173	45
Thomasville	96	69	83	5	1.19	0.22	3	26.54	-3.25	89		235	36	165	35
Mobile_Bates	97	69	84	4	0.48	-0.64	2	32.99	2.87	110		243	28	173	28
District 60 SE Alabama - Wiregrass 15% of Corn Ac., 8% of Soybean Ac.															
Eufaula_Wildlife	98	70	84	6	3.00	1.97	4	32.12	5.54	121		239	42	169	42
Troy_Municipal	99	68	84	7	0.55	-0.46	2	25.83	-0.78	97		236	42	166	42
Highland Home	98	57	81	3	0.19	-0.86	1	31.46	2.02	107		218	22	148	22
Geneva_Ag	98	69	84	5	0.30	-1.03	1	25.58	-1.57	94	97	240	37	170	37
Headland	100	71	86	8	1.68	0.48	3	26.05	-2.77	90	91	256	53	186	53
Dothan	101	71	86	8	0.61	-0.56	2	23.83	-4.23	85		254	53	184	53

DFN = Departure From Normal (Using 1961-90 Normals Period). Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Precipitation Days = Days with precip of 0.01 inch or more. Air and Soil Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. PCT of Norm: Cumulative Rainfall since January 1 as a percent of normal (using 1961-90 normals period), 2008. Weather data prepared By AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit www.awis.com or call 1-888-798-9955.

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